

Approved Security Guard Schools Data Overview

General Description

The Security Guard Act of 1992 requires registration and training of security guards in New York State. The Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) approves the private security training schools and provides administrative oversight for mandated security training. The New York State Department of State, Division of Licensing Services has oversight responsibility for the registration of all security guards licensing@dos.state.ny.us. The seventeen-member Security Guard Advisory Council addresses program and policy requirements and recommends rules and regulations to the DCJS Commissioner concerning: approval or revocation of security guard training schools and training programs; the minimum courses of study and all training requirements to be fulfilled by schools; the minimum qualifications for instructors at approved security guard training schools and training programs; and training requirements for unarmed and armed security guards. For more information on the Security Guard Advisory Council, see <http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/pio/boards/index.html>

Security guard training schools are approved for a two year period after which they must file for renewal. Security Guard Training Schools are approved to conduct either mandated non-firearms security guard training, mandated security guard firearms training, or both. Schools not approved to provide firearms training may conduct the 8 Hour Pre-Assignment Training Course for Security Guards (Pre-assignment), the 16 Hour On the Job Training Course for Security Guards (16 Hour OJT), and the 8 Hour Annual In-service Training Course for Security Guards (8 Hour Annual). Approved firearm schools are noted in the file by the firearm indicator and may conduct the 47 Hour Firearms Training Course for Security Guards and the 8 Hour Annual In-service Training Course for Armed Security Guards, as well as the Pre-assignment, the 16 Hour OJT, and the 8 Hour Annual.

Data Collection Methodology

Data for the Security Guard Program resides on an Oracle database and is accessed using Ingenium, a proprietary user interface. Security Guard schools are entered into the database upon approval.

Statistical and Analytic Issues

The list is updated on an as needed basis and recent approved schools may not be immediately reflected.

Limitations of Data Use

This dataset is limited to the information provided to DCJS by the school owner/director. Requests for additional information or changes may be directed to DCJS at dcjs.sm.ops.securityguard@dcjs.ny.gov or by visiting the DCJS website <http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/ops/sgtraining/index.htm>

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